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Dear Chairman Hundt

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There is no doubt that advanced telecommunications services are important to improving learning, sparking the imagination and leveling the playing field for all of our nation's people. Affordable access to technology in all classrooms and libraries will assure that our children and life - long learners can connect with the technology they would need to compete in today's and tomorrow's workforce. Advanced telecommunications services in the classroom will also create informed and skilled consumers of new technology well into the 21st century.

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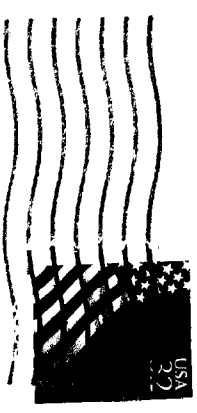
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Sincerely,

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Currently, the FCC is considering these recommendations and will soon decide on its final rule on universal services for schools and libraries. Please convey your support of these recommendations to the FCC. Thank you for your attention to this matter of considerable importance to all children, schools, classrooms, and libraries.

Sincerely, *Marc Calloway*  
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